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BOX PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Re: Application of Kenji SHIMIZU, Hiroshi SAKAI, Takashi HIROSAKA, and Futoshi  
NAKAMURA  
MAGNETIC RECORDING MEDIUM, METHOD OF PRODUCING THE SAME  
AND MAGNETIC RECORDING AND REPRODUCING DEVICE  
**Assignee: SHOWA DENKO K.K. and KABUSHIKI KAISHA TOSHIBA**  
Our Ref. Q63141

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above comprising forty-three (43) sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract, four (4) sheets of drawings, executed Assignment and PTO 1595 form, and executed Declaration and Power of Attorney.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	<u>21</u> - <u>20</u>	=	<u>1</u>	x	\$18.00	=	<u>\$18.00</u>
Independent claims	<u>3</u> - <u>3</u>	=		x	\$84.00	=	<u>\$0.00</u>
Base Fee							<u>\$740.00</u>

<b>TOTAL FILING FEE</b>	<b>\$758.00</b>
Recordation of Assignment	\$40.00
<b>TOTAL FEE</b>	<b><u>\$798.00</u></b>

Checks for the statutory filing fee of \$758.00 and Assignment recordation fee of \$40.00 are attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge or credit any difference or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 and any petitions for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

Priority/Benefit is claimed from:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
Japan	2000-402774	December 28, 2000
U.S. Provisional	60/268,968	February 16, 2001

The priority document is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,  
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